

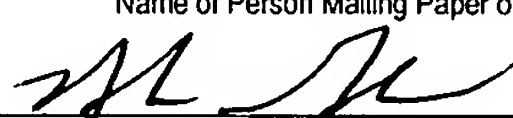
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/624,331  
Applicant(s): Shinichi NISHIKAWA  
For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING OPTICAL ELEMENT  
MADE OF GLASS  
Confirmation No.: 6976  
Customer No.: 24367  
Docket No.: 15162/06050  
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Group Art Unit: 1731  
Examiner: Queenie S. Dehghan

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**PETITION FOR THREE-MONTHS EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the Office Action, mailed October 31, 2006, be extended for three months up to and including April 30, 2007.

A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being filed concurrently herewith.


A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1810.00 (\$790.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and \$1,020.00 for the three-month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3)), to be charged to

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Respectfully submitted,

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